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December 1, 2011

Chairman Daniel R. Elliott, III  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street SW  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: Docket No. EP526 (Sub-No. 3)  
Rail Shipper Transportation Advisory Council (RSTAC)

Dear Chairman Elliott:

On behalf of Arkema Inc., we hereby submit the name of John J. O'Leary as candidate for membership on RSTAC as a shipper representative. Mr. O'Leary is Director, Logistics Services for Arkema, a position which has responsibility for support and governance for the shipping activities at Arkema.

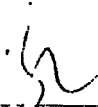
Arkema, a global chemical company, operates 30 manufacturing and research facilities in 17 states, with over 2,600 employees across the United States. Arkema ships both hazardous (including TIH chemicals) and non-hazardous chemicals by rail. Arkema's annual freight spend on rail is in excess of \$40 million and includes the management of a rail fleet of over 1,600 tanks cars. As such, Arkema is directly impacted by rail activities here in the United States and has a significant interest in rail transportation policy.

Mr. O'Leary brings over 35 years of Supply Chain and Logistics experience to his current position. Prior to being named to his current position, Mr. O'Leary has held several supply chain positions within Arkema and its predecessor companies, including materials management, customer service and purchasing. Mr. O'Leary has previously testified before the Surface Transportation Board and the Federal Railroad Administration on rail-related issues.

In addition, Mr. O'Leary is a past president of the National Freight Transportation Association. He is an active member of the American Chemistry Council's Distribution Committee that is responsible for reviewing and analyzing rail and transportation issues affecting the chemical manufacturing industry.

Arkema Inc. greatly appreciates the opportunity to submit Mr. O'Leary as a candidate for the RSTAC. If appointed to the RSTAC, Mr. O'Leary is available to serve for a 3-year term beginning immediately upon appointment.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this nomination.

  
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President & CEO

cc: Karen Flynn, Senior Director – Logistics and Goods & Services Purchasing – Arkema Inc.  
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